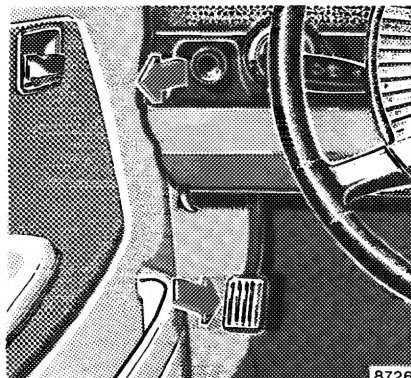


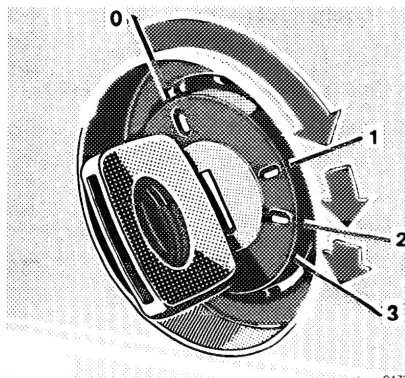
Parking Brake



Depress parking brake pedal. When the steering lock key is in position "2", the brake warning lamp in the instrument cluster comes on.

To release, pull release button on the instrument panel. The parking brake releases in one rapid movement. The parking brake warning lamp in the instrument cluster must go out.

Starting and Turning off the Engine



Engage parking brake before starting the engine.

Place the gear selector lever in either "P" or "N" position.

Cold Engine

Turn key in steering lock to position "2". Charge indicator and preglow indicator lamp must come on. The preglow process starts.

When the preglow indicator goes out, the engine is ready for starting.

Ambient Temperature exceeding $0^{\circ}\text{C} / +32^{\circ}\text{F}$:

Turn key in steering lock clockwise to the stop. Do not depress accelerator. Release key only when the engine is firing regularly.

Ambient Temperature below $0^{\circ}\text{C} / +32^{\circ}\text{F}$:

Depress accelerator to the floor. Turn key in steering lock clockwise to the stop. Release key only when the engine is firing regularly and back off accelerator slowly.

Do not interrupt the starting process. If the engine is very cold, it is possible that it will fail to start on subsequent attempts.

At ambient temperatures of less than $-18^{\circ}\text{C} / 0^{\circ}\text{F}$, depress accelerator three times prior to starting.

Hot Engine

Turn key in steering lock clockwise to the stop and start engine immediately without depressing the accelerator. Release the key as soon as the engine is firing regularly.

Turning off

Turn key in steering lock to position "0" and remove only when the vehicle has stopped.

Should the engine continue to operate with the key in steering lock position "0", refer to page 65.

With very high coolant temperatures (e.g. after driving on mountain passes), do not shut down the engine immediately but allow it to run at slightly increased idle speed for approximately 1 — 2 minutes.

Notes

Due to the installed starter non-repeat unit, the key in the steering lock must be returned to "0" position before making a new starting attempt.

Observe the oil pressure gauge immediately after starting. In a very cold engine the oil pressure will only rise slowly, some time after the

engine has started. Do not speed up the engine before pressure is registered on the pressure gauge.

The charge indicator lamp must go out as soon as the engine has started.

If the preglow indicator fails to light up, the preglow system is defective and should be repaired at an authorized MERCEDES-BENZ dealer at the earliest possible date.

In areas where temperatures frequently drop below $-18^{\circ}\text{C}/0^{\circ}\text{F}$, we recommend that a blockheater is installed. Every MERCEDES-BENZ dealer will advise you on this subject.